**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Peijun Ding et al.

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 ELECTROMIGRATION RESISTANCE

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EXAMINER: J. Mercado

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Date: February 1, 2000

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**PETITION FOR A TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Hon. Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

1. This is a petition for a Two-month extension of the time to file a response to the Office Action mailed September 2, 1999, in the subject patent application. The due date for the response was December 2, 1999, and the present two-month extension of time will provide for a response through February 2, 2000.

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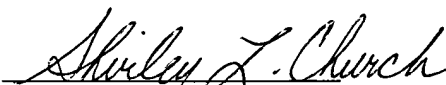
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3. The accompanying transmittal letter shows this fee of \$380.00 for the two-month extension of time.  
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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